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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

This paper is in response to an Office Action dated March 22, 2005.

COMMENTS

The Examiner first rejects claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9 and 11-14 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by USPN 398,636 to Mallory. Continuing, the Examiner states that:

"Mallory discloses an adjustable hinge for mounting a door to a fixed structure, comprising;"

"A first plate (g) that is attached to the fixed member; a second plate (a) that is attached to the door; a hinge pin (f); and a first connecting member (m, n) associated with the first plate and having a hole through which the hinge pin passes to pivotally attach the first connecting member to the first plate, the first connecting member having an extension (h); a second connecting member (b) associated with the second plate and having a hole through which the first connecting member extension passes; wherein the hinge pin is used as an adjustment to move the first connecting member along the hinge pin and thereby adjust the position of the door with respect to the fixed member in the vertical direction; and wherein the position of the second connecting member is changed with respect to the first connecting member extension to thereby adjust the position of the door with respect to the fixed member in a horizontal direction."

The applicant has deleted claims 1 - 10 & 13, and has amended claim 11 to merge claim 13 therein. Because of the deletion of claims and amendments to other claims the Examiner's